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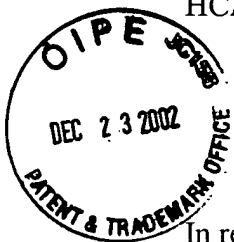
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated September 20, 2002, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the groupings of inventions noted in the *Office Action* in view of the following comments.

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Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, to prosecute Claims 1, 2, 18-20, 27, 28, and 44-46 of the Application, and hereby reserves the right to file divisional applications to take such other appropriate measures as necessary to protect the inventions in the other groups.

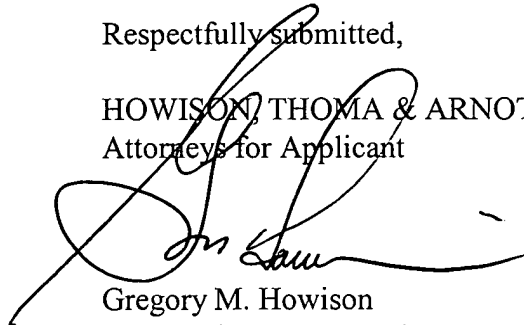
The Examiner has set forth seven species, the first six being directed toward FIGUREs 21-24, 30 and 32, respectively, and the seventh being directed toward Claim 7, 9, 33 and 35. Presently, Applicant is electing to go forward with Species II drawn to FIGURE 22. The following is a list of claims as they apply to the various Species. Presently, Applicant elects to prosecute Species I.

Species I is drawn to FIG. 21; Claims: 1, 2, 18-20, 27, 28, 44-46;
Species II is drawn to FIG. 22; Claims 3, 4, 8-14, 26, 29, 30, 34, 36-40, 52;
Species III is drawn to FIG. 23; Claims 15-17, 21, 22, 41-43, 47, 48;
Species IV is drawn to FIG. 24; Claims 6, 23-35, 32, 49-51;
Species V is drawn to FIG. 30; Claims 5, 31;
Species VI is drawn to FIG. 31; Claims 5, 31;
Species VII is drawn to Claims 7, 9, 33 and 35.

Reconsideration and favorable action in this case is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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